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December 16, 1983

(P 396 996 903) CERTIFIED RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. Don Cook, Manager First Securty Bank of Utah 4 North Main Street Moab, Utah 84532

RE: Escrow Agreement
Signature Card
S & S Mining Company
ACT/037/050
San Juan County, Utah

Dear Mr. Cook:

I am sending you the original escrow agreement and signature card for S & S Mining Company. Thank you for your reminder.

If there are any further questions, please don't hesitate to call.

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PAMELA GRUBAUGH-LITTIG RECLAMATION ENGINEER

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Enclosures

cc: M. Boucek, DOGM

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STATE OF UTAH
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
BOARD OF OIL, GAS AND MINING
4241 State Office Building
Salt Lake City, Utah 84114

MINED LANDS RECLAMATION AGREEMENT (ESCROW)

THIS AGREEMENT, made and entered into this 24th day of August, 1983, between CLAYTON STOCKS, BRADLEY STOCKS and WINSTON STOCKS, co-partners doing business as S & S Mining Company, hereinafter called Operator, and the Board of Oil, Gas and Mining, duly authorized and existing by virtue of the laws of the State of Utah, hereinafter called Board.

## WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Operator is the owner and in possession of certain mining claims and/or leases more particularly described in Exhibit A attached hereto.

WHEREAS, the Operator did on the 22nd day of May,

1982, file with the Director of Oil, Gas and Mining a "Notice of
Intention to Commence Mining Operations and Mining and Reclamation
Plan" to secure authorization to engage, or to continue to engage
in mining operations in the State of Utah, under the terms and
provisions of the Mined Land Reclamation Act, Section 40-8, Utah
Code Annotated 1953:

WHEREAS, the Operator is able and willing to reclaim the above mentioned land affected in accordance with the approved Mining and Reclamation Plan, the Mined Land Reclamation Act and the rules and regulations adopted in accordance therewith.

WHEREAS, the Board has considered the factual information and recommendations provided by the staff of the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining as to the magnitude, type and costs of the approved reclamation activity planned for the land affected.

WHEREAS, the Board is cognizant of the nature, extent, duration of operation, and the fact that the Operator has been unable to obtain a surety bond.

NOW THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the mutual covenants, of the parties by each to the other made and herein contained, the parties hereto agree as follows:

- 1. Operator promises to reclaim the land affected in accordance with the approved Mined Land Reclamation Plan, Mined Land Reclamation Act, and the rules and regulations adopted in accordance therewith.
- 2. The Operator, in lieu of posting a bond or other surety hereby agrees to deposit \$15,000.00 commencing herewith in what will be hereafter referred to as the escrow funds.
- 3. The Board, in lieu of posting of a bond, or other surety, agrees to execute an escrow agreement with the Operator and any third party designated by Operator.
- 4. Upon execution of the Escrow Agreement the Operator agrees to furnish the Board a copy of each receipt deposited no later than 10 days after deposit is made.

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5. The Board and Operator agree that failure to make a deposit in the escrow fund as required shall constitute a breach of contract and the Board may, after notice and hearing, declare all moneys in the escrow fund forfeited and request the Attorney General to take the necessary legal actions to enjoin further mining activities by the Operator in the State of Utah.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties of the first and second part hereto have respectfully set their hand and seal this 24th day of August, A. D., 1983.

S & S MINING COMPANY, a co-partnership

Clayton Stocks, Partner

BOARD OF OIL, GAS AND MINING

Note: If the Operator is a corporation the agreement should be executed by its duly authorized officer with the seal of the corporation affixed.

STATE OF UTAH

SS.

COUNTY OF GRAND :

On the 24th day of August, 1983, personally appeared before me CLAYTON STOCKS who stated that he is a partner of S & S MINING COMPANY and that he signed the foregoing instrument on behalf of S & S MINING COMPANY.

MY COMMISSION EXPIRES:

12-6-83

NOTARY PUBLIC

Residing in Moab, Utah

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## \*ESCROW AGREEMENT\*

THIS AGREEMENT made this 24th day of August, A. D., 1983,
between the BOARD OF OIL, GAS AND MINING, hereinafter called the
Board, CLAYTON STOCKS, BRADLEY STOCKS, WINSTON STOCKS, co-partners
doing business as S & S Mining Company, hereinafter called Operator,
and FIRST SECURITY BANK OF UTAH, N.A., Moab Branch hereinafter
called the Escrowee.

WHEREAS, the Board and Operator have entered into a Mined Land Reclamation Agreement upon the terms and conditions therein set forth.

WHEREAS, the Operator desires to execute an escrow agreement in lieu of furnishing a bond or other form of surety for meeting the requirements of Section 40-8-14, U. C. A. 1953.

It is therefore agreed:

1. Deposit of Escrow Fund. Commencing on the 24th day of August, A. D., 1983, to deposit \$15,000.00 in what will be hereinafter referred to as the escrow fund excluding interest. All interest earned in the said fund shall accumulate to the benefit of the escrow fund until this Escrow Agreement is terminated by mutual

consent of the undersigned or disbursement of the funds therein is ordered by a Court of competent jurisdiction.

- 2. Depository of Escrow Fund. The escrow fund shall be held by the Escrowee in an interest bearing account separate and apart from the personal funds of the Escrowee until such time as the Escrowee receives written direction, with respect to the disbursement of said escrow funds, together with interest earned thereby, signed by both the Board and Operator.
- 3. <u>Disputes</u>. In the event of any disagreement between the undersigned or any of them, and/or any other person, resulting in adverse claims and demands being made in connection with any money, or property involved herein or affected hereby, the Escrowee shall be entitled at its option to refuse to comply with any such claim or demand, so long as such disagreement shall continue, and in so refusing, the Escrowee shall not become liable to the undersigned or any of them or to any other person for failure or refusal to comply with such conflicting or adverse demands and the Escrowee shall be entitled to continue to refrain and refuse to act until:
- a. The rights of the adverse claimants having been finally adjudicated in a court assuming and having jurisdiction of the parties the money and property involved herein or affected hereby; and/or
- b. All differences shall have been adjusted by agreement and the Escrowee shall have been notified thereof in writing signed by all the interest parties.
- 4. <u>Liability of Escrowee</u>. The Escrowee shall not be liable for any error of judgment or for any act done or step taken or omitted by

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him in good faith, or for any mistake of fact or law or for anything which he may do or refrain from doing in connection herewith, except his own wilful misconduct.

- 5. Protection of Escrowee. The Escrowee shall be protected in acting upon any notice, request, waiver, consent, receipt of other papers or documents believed by the Escrowee to be genuine and to be signed by the proper party or parties.
- 6. Accounting. Escrowee shall under no circumstance, be compelled to furnish a formal accounting for the escrow funds other than at the end of each calendar or fiscal year, to notify the Board and Operator as to the date each payment was made into said funds, the total amount contained therein and the interest accumulated thereby.
- 7. Fee. The fee of the Escrowee has been fixed by the Operator and Escrowee under separate agreement, the Escrowee shall not be entitled to any additional fee for services rendered under this agreement.
- 8. Modification. This agreement may not be altered or modified without the express written consent of the Operator, the Board and the Escrowee.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties of the first and second part, have respectfully set their hand and seal this 24th day of August, A. D., 1983.

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Clayton Stocks, Partner

BOARD OF OIL, GAS AND MINING

FIRST SECURITY BANK OF UTAH, N.A., Moab Branch

Branch Manager

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## "EXHIBIT A"

A CASA COM CONTRACTOR CONTRACTOR

NAME OF CLAIM	BOOK	PAGE
Red Rock 9, 10, 11	554	1, 2, 3